

Session 113 - (1999-2000)

S 1141 General Bill, By Setzler

Summary: School districts, unsatisfactory grade of; improvement ratings and report card requirements; Kindergarten

A BILL TO AMEND SECTIONS 59-18-120, 59-18-370, 59-18-900, 59-18-930, 59-18-1500, AND 59-18-1570, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO DEFINITIONS, DISSEMINATION OF RESULTS, ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORT CARDS AND PROGRAMS FOR SCHOOLS RATED UNSATISFACTORY FOR PURPOSES OF THE EDUCATION ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1998, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT HIGH SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT RATINGS MUST BE BASED ON A COMBINATION OF LONGITUDINAL DATA WHERE AVAILABLE IN COMBINATION WITH APPROPRIATE COMPARISONS OF COHORTS OF STUDENTS AND TO MAKE A CONFORMING AMENDMENT TO THIS REVISED DEFINITION, TO PROVIDE FOR SPECIAL CRITERIA FOR PERFORMANCE RATINGS FOR SCHOOLS INCLUDING KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADES TWO, AND SPECIAL SCHOOLS AND FOR DUAL REPORT CARDS FOR SCHOOLS ENROLLING STUDENTS ACROSS TYPICAL ORGANIZATIONAL LEVELS, TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENTS FOR NEWSPAPERS IN WHICH REPORT CARDS MUST BE PUBLISHED, AND TO CLARIFY THAT THE PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO THE APPOINTMENT OF AN EXTERNAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR A DISTRICT RECEIVING A BELOW AVERAGE RATING ALSO EXTENDS TO A DISTRICT WITH AN UNSATISFACTORY RATING.

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